REMARKS

The Office has indicated that claims 18 and 20-22 are deemed allowable. Applicant is canceling claims 1-17 and 19, directed to non-elected subject matter, herein, without prejudice to pursing prosecution of these claims in a laterfiled continuing application.

Applicant requests allowance of the application at this time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

Martha Cassidy, Ph.D.
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 44,066
ROTHWELL, FIGG, ERNST & MANBECK
1425 K. Street, Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20005

Telephone: (202) 783-6040

1735119